ed. Proposals for new medical institutions are considered as and when they are received from Welfare Commissioners.

Peerless General Finance and Investment Company

2832. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number persons insured with the Peerless General Finance and Investment Company have stopped depositing their premiums; of so, the details for the last one year;

(b) what is the number of applications received for refund of the deposited money and the number of applications disposed of during the above period; and

(c) what is the procedure laid down under which the subscribers can get the refund of their money and the details of the rules and regulations in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and to the extent available and permissible under the statutes will be laid on the Table of the House.

Mushroom growth of HDPE Units

2833. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that due to mushroom growth of High Density Polypropylene Woven Sacks Units around 400 small scale units manufacturing laminated jute bags spread all over the country are in miserable condition;

(b) whether Government have received a memorandum from Jute Laminators Association in this regard; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) in what manner the Government propose to help the Jute Laminating industries in the country ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) to (c) Small scale units manufacturing laminated jute bags are facing stiff competition from HDPE/PP woven sack manufacturing units. A representation has been received from Jute Laminators Association in which they have made a number of suggestions to protect their interests from synthetic substitutes. In order to protect their interests as well as the jute industry at large, Government have favoured mandatory usage of jute packaging material by different sectors of the industry. An Empowered Committee of Secretaries has been set up to work out the modalities.

Export of fabrics by Bombay Dyeing

2834. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that all export business pertaining to fabrics manufactured by Bombay Dyeing Company are routed through its affiliate companies, namely Nowrosni & Sons Private Limited and George Wills & Sons (India) Limited;

(b) if so, what is the gain of these associate companies by way of commission, profits, contribution to overheads and establishment charges;

(c) what are the names of the beneficiaries of these associate companies; and

(d) what are the major expenses of these associate companies during the last three years on perquisites of their directors and associates ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) It has been reported to Government that M/s Nowrosjee Wadia & Sons Private Limited and M/s George Wills & Sons (India) Limited are not the affiliate companies of M/s Bombay Dyeing Company.

(b) to (d) In view of (a) above, the questions do not arise.

Norms for including an item in the list of canalised imports and exports

2835. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the norms for including an item in the list of canalised imports and exports; and